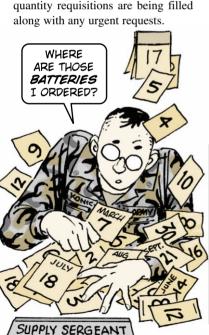
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Battery Enlightenment

You've ordered BA-5800 batteries for your unit's AN/PSN-11 precision lightweight GPS receivers (PLGR) and the days are piling up and they still haven't arrived.

It's true, the backlog for BA-5800 batteries is a long one, because the supply is low. The supply is low because new batteries are trickling in from the supplier. But there is hope. Another supplier is gearing up so the supply situation will get better. Currently, high priority and low quantity requisitions are being filled along with any urgent requests.

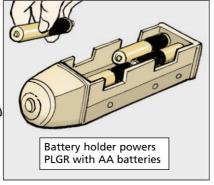




If your need is other than these, choose one of these other PLGR power options. They all will do the job.

Alkaline

Order battery holder, NSN 6160-01-385-4358, and packages of 24 AA alkaline batteries, NSN 6135-00-985-7845. The holder holds eight AA batteries, which equals the power delivered by one BA-5800.



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AAs have two advantages over the BA-5800. They are a much cheaper power source (around \$5 for 24) and they don't require disposal as hazardous waste.

The disadvantage is you have to change them out about three times to equal the life of one BA-5800. So make sure each PLGR user carries enough AAs and a loaded, extra battery holder.

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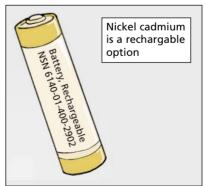
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Rechargeable

Another alternative to the BA-5800 is rechargeable batteries. They will be the preferred battery choice in the not-too-distant future. Right now a new rechargeable battery and charging unit is being developed that will do your PLGR chore well at a fair cost.

In the meantime, there are two rechargeable choices, but both of them are more expensive than eight AA alkalines and they do not provide a longer duration of use before they need recharging.

Ni-cad rechargeable, NSN 6140-01-400-2902, is the same size as the BA-5800. It can be recharged using cable, NSN 6150-01-375-8661.



There are also three battery recharging stands (for one, three and six batteries) that must be ordered directly from Rockwell-Collins at (800) 321-2223.

Ni-cad rechargeable, NSN 6140-00-449-6001, is AA size. Just like the alkaline version, you'll need eight batteries and a battery holder. The recharging stand is NSN 6130-01-225-9554.

If a critical mission demands BA-5800s, submit a requisition for a low quantity with your highest priority. Also, make sure you're using the new NSN, 6135-01-440-7774. This new NSN brings a package of eight batteries.

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